

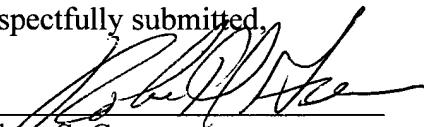
REMARKS

By this Amendment, a substitute specification is supplied that comply with current US practice. By this Amendment, claims 1-19 were canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claims 20-42 were added. Support for claims 20-42 can be found at least in original claims 1-19. Applicants note that the scope of the claims has not been narrowed for any reasons related to a basis of patentability, and therefore, no estoppel should attach. No new matter was added.

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, favorable examination and consideration of the application in light of these amendments and remarks is courteously solicited. If the examiner has any comments or suggestions that would place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number below.

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